Proposal for setting up of a thermal power unit at Ramagundam in A.P. by NTPC

708. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Thermal Power Corporation has submitted a proposal to the Union Government for setting up of a thermal power unit at Ramagundam (Andhra Pradesh);

(b) if so, the present status of the above power unit;

(c) whether the Project Committee visited the site and gave its opinion; and

(d) by when the work will be started and how long it will take for the completion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (d) The National Thermal Power Corporation has taken up expansion of its Ramagundam Super Thermal Powewr Station in Andhra Pradesh by adding one unit of 500 MW in Stage-III. Work for Main Plant package has started after placement of award in August, 2001. Civil works in Main Plant, chimney etc. are progressing as per schedule. The unit is scheduled to be commissioned by August, 2005.

Power Projects in Gujarat

709. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the existing power projects in Gujarat, their production capacity along with the actual production during the last two years;

(b) whether Government are aware that there is a huge demand and supply gap in power sector in Gujarat;

(c) whether Government propose to make some arrangements with some other States to wipe out power deficit in Gujarat State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) The details of the existing power projects in Gujarat, their actual generating capacity and the actual energy generated by them during the last two year is given in Statement (*See* below).

(b) The power supply position in Gujarat for the period April, 2001—January, 2002 is given below:

Energy (MU net)	
Requirement	44359 MU
Availability	39327 MU
Deficit	5032 MU
%age	11.3
Peak (MW net)	
Peak Demand	7974 MW
Peak Met	6700 MW
Deficit	1274 MW
%age	16

(c) and (d) Gujarat has been allocated 50 MW from Central Sector Stations in Eastern Region. The State has also entered in to bilateral agreements for availing 50 MW from Goa through Power Trading Corporation and 100 MW from Chhattisgarh.

Statement

Station-wise installed Capacity and electricity generation in Gujarat during 1999-2000 and 2000-01

Name of the Station GEB Thermal	Installed capacity (MW)	Electricity Generation (MU)	
		1999-2000	2000-2001
State Sector			
Dhuvaran	534	2358	2350
Ukai	850	4444	5382
Gandhinagar (1-4)	660	3110	3330
Wanakhbori (1-6)	1260	9105	8916
Sikka	240	960	1098
Kutch Lignite	215	964	965
Uttran GT	135	1057	720
Dhuvaran GT	27	131	137
Hydro			
Ukai	305	24	19
Kadana	242	188	—
Private Sector			
G.S.E.C.L.			
Gandhinagar-5	210	1293	1348
Wanakhbori-7	210	844	1535
A.E. Co.	390	2804	2827
Vatwa GT	100	599	538
Essar	515	1268	558
GIPCL-1 GT	312	1935	1231

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Gujarat Powergen Electric Co.	655	3863	2482
Surat Lignite	250	133	1303
Central Sector*			
Kakrapar (Nuclear)	440	3395	3540
Kawas CCGT	644	4788	4697
Gandhar CCGT	648	2282	2791

Gujarat's share in Central Sector Power Stations are as under:—

Kakrapar APS	—	28.41%
Kawas CCGT	—	28.55%
Gandhar CCGT	—	36.05%

Cheap power provided by Neyveli Lignite Corporation

710. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Neyveli Lignite Corporation provides cheap power in the country;

(b) whether the Central Government have any proposal for setting up this type of thermal power station in various States particularly in Rajasthan and Gujarat; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) The cost of Neyveli Lignite Corporation power is based on notified norms for tariff fixation.

(b) and (c) the details of proposals for setting up of Lignite-based Thermal Power Projects accorded Techno-Economic Clearance (TEC) by Central Electricity Authority (CEA) in the States of Rajasthan and Gujarat are as under:

Sl. No.	Name of Project/ State	Capacity (MW)	Date of TEC letter	Status
1.	Barsingsar Lignite Based M/s Hindustan Vidyut Corpn. Ltd. (Rajashtan)	2x250	20.4.1998	Govt. of Rajasthan and NLC have a proposal totake up this project for implementation. However, the MOU between them has not been signed so far.
2.	Surat Lignite TPP by M/s GIPCL in Surat(Gujarat)	2x125	26.8.1996	Units have since been commissioned and are in operation.
3.	Akrimota Lignite TPP by M/s Gujarat Mineral Development Corpn. in Kutch (Gujarat)	2x125	6.9.1999	Under Construction. These units are planned to be commissioned during 2002-04.